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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. In accordance with the PTO notice dated July 11, 2003, waiving the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting copies of each cited U.S. Patent, for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, no copies of U.S. Patents are enclosed. However, copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature are submitted under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

U.S. Patent 4,770,723 is cited in line 10, page 2 of the specification.

U.S. Patent 4,792,368 is cited in line 10, page 2 of the specification.

Japanese Laid-Open No. 04-268051 is cited in line 10, page 6 of the specification.

U.S. Patent 5,595,608 is cited in ISR.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 07-283016 is cited in ISR.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 2000-286118 is cited in ISR.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 02-122601 is cited in ISR.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 09-20953 is cited in ISR.

Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. 01-219142 is cited in ISR.

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Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open No. JP 07-176414 is in the same family as U.S. Patent 5,595,608.

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It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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